

Amendment to the Claims

Claims 1-20 (Cancelled)

21. (New) A portable radio communication apparatus comprising:

a housing containing a radio communication circuit;

a projection portion having a first end portion connected to said housing, a second end portion connected to said housing, and a central portion located between the first and second end portions,

wherein said projection portion projects from an end surface of said housing so as to be inclined away from a first surface of said housing which is different from the end surface of said housing; and

an antenna element connected to said radio communication circuit, wherein at least a part of said antenna element is disposed in a part of said projection portion.

22. (New) The portable radio communication apparatus as claimed in claim 21, wherein, when said housing is arranged on a flat surface, said projection portion engages the flat surface so that a second surface of said housing is substantially spaced from the flat surface, wherein the second surface of the housing is different from the first surface of said housing.

23. (New) The portable radio communication apparatus as claimed in claim 21, wherein the central portion of said projection portion extends in parallel to a width direction of

said portable radio communication apparatus, and the first and second end portions are bent from opposite ends of the central portion, respectively.

24. (New) The portable radio communication apparatus as claimed in claim 21, wherein said projection portion is shaped as an arch.

25. (New) The portable radio communication apparatus as claimed in claim 21, wherein a thickness of each of said first and second end portions of said projection portion is larger than a thickness of the central portion of said projection portion.

26. (New) The portable radio communication apparatus as claimed in claim 21, wherein a width of each of the first and second end portions of said projection portion is larger than a width of the central portion of said projection portion.

27. (New) The portable radio communication apparatus as claimed in claim 21, wherein said projection portion is detachably connected to said housing.

28. (New) The portable radio communication apparatus as claimed in claim 21, wherein said projection portion is made of a dielectric.

29. (New) The portable radio communication apparatus as claimed in claim 28, wherein said projection portion is made of a dielectric which is an elastic resin material.

30. (New) The portable radio communication apparatus as claimed in claim 21, wherein said projection portion is made of a conductor material.

31. (New) The portable radio communication apparatus as claimed in claim 21, further comprising a reinforcement member between said projection portion and said housing, wherein at least one part of an antenna element is provided in said reinforcement member.

32. (New) The portable radio communication apparatus as claimed in claim 21, further comprising a parasitic element, wherein at least one part of said parasitic element is provided on one of an interior and an exterior part of said projection portion.

33. (New) The portable radio communication apparatus as claimed in claim 32, wherein said parasitic element is disposed outwardly of said antenna element.

34. (New) The portable radio communication apparatus as claimed in claim 32, wherein said parasitic element is disposed inwardly of said antenna element.

35. (New) The portable radio communication apparatus as claimed in claim 31, wherein said antenna element includes a helical conductor.

36. (New) The portable radio communication apparatus as claimed in claim 31, wherein said antenna element includes a meander conductor.

37. (New) The portable radio communication apparatus as claimed in claim 34, wherein said meander conductor is formed so as to be bent three-dimensionally.

38. (New) The portable radio communication apparatus as claimed in claim 21, wherein said projection portion is a boom portion.